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Mr. James Van Wagenen  
Subcommittee on Defense  
Committee on Appropriations  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Jim,

I just learned that you will soon be leaving the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee staff. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your valuable assistance and counsel over the last five years in which you have handled the budget for intelligence programs.

We have all worked hard during this period to rebuild the intelligence collection capabilities of this country. It has been a cooperative effort between the Congress and the Administration and one in which the Defense Subcommittee played an essential role. You were supportive of our efforts yet retained your independence and did not hesitate to offer criticism in a constructive way when you believed it was necessary.

I wish you all the luck in your new endeavor and again, many thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey  
Director of Central Intelligence

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